

THOMAS J. ORGILL AND MARY E. NELSON ORGILL

Thomas Jackson Orgill was born August 22, 1878, in Juab County, Utah, the oldest son of Mark and Rachel Orgill. When he was eight years old the family moved to Daniel in Wasatch County, where he lived the rest of his life.

On June 12, 1912, he married Mary Emily Nelson, daughter of Wilford and Matilda Nelson, also of Daniel. He was born March 31, 1890. They had no children of their own, but adopted two, Stella and Otto, whom they reared to adulthood. Many children of other people stayed at their home.



For many years Thomas drove the milk route from all the small communities around to the creamery in town. He was an expert horseman and was proud that he always had one of the finest pulling teams in the valley. He worked as a miller, farmer and watermaster, and in later years took care of the Wolf Creek road. He worked in the Sunday School and was a High Priest. He died January 12, 1938, when he was 59 years old.

He was known as a kind, friendly, fun-loving person. He was a marvelous story-teller, and because he could mimic anyone, people never tired of his funny stories.

Mary is known for her delicious cooking, beautiful flowers, her great devotion to God, and work in Relief Society, where she has served as teacher, class leader, magazine representative, secretary, and twice as president.

After her husband's death she supported herself by working on the school lunch until she was retired at 65. Now, at 73, although her health is poor, she still works to support herself and to raise her beautiful flowers, and to bring happiness to her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Superintendents of the Young Men's Mutual Improvement Assn. have been: James J. Howe, William S. Bethers, James J. Howe, Joseph F. Swain, Walter Plummer, Dean Bethers, Leonard J. Howe, John M. Thacker, James W. Orgill, Grant Casper, Earl George Jacklin, Kenneth Allred, Ray Kynaston, Dean Hector and Ray Cummings.

Presidents of the Young Ladies and later the Young Women's Mutual Improvement Assn. have been Annie Bell, Margaret Howe, Sarah C. Bethers Price, Rachel I. Orgill, Marie Anderson Erickson, Mary Elizabeth McDonald, Esther Anderson Howe, Josephine Plummer, Emma Clegg, Lacy Swain, Phebe Remund, Ethel Watson, Zella Carlen, Delores McDonald, Stella Gordon, Lola Carlile, Ruby Clegg, Elnora Casper, Isabelle McGuire, Nelda Duke, Elaine Broadhead and Norma Thompson.

Chairmen of the ward genealogical committee work have been Joseph C. McDonald, Thomas J. Orgill, Albert F. Bethers, Orson McGuire, Allen T. Bethers and Lloyd Jacobsen.